



Dorchester County

DHR PROGRAMS

Child Care Administration

Children Receiving Child Care (POC*) Subsidies:

	SFY90	SFY04
*Purchase of Care	98	261

Child Support Enforcement Administration

	SFY04
SOA Collections:*	
Current Collections	\$2,882,221
Collections Due	\$4,803,780

*Represents the support order amount due and collected for monthly obligations in SFY03; doesn't include prior years' obligations.

Support Orders:

Total Number of Cases	2,286
Cases with Orders Established	2,096

IV-D Caseloads:

Number of Children Born Out-of-Wedlock	1,841
Children with Paternities Established	1,848
Cases with Support Orders	2,096
Number of Cases Paying*	1,784

*Represents at least one payment during the fiscal year.

Family Investment Administration

Average Monthly TCA Paid Customers:	
1,629 (SFY90)	767 (SFY04)

Ninety-day Job Retention Rates:

October - December 2003	56%
January - March 2004	74%
April - June 2004	77%
July - September 2004	71%
12 Month Average	70%

	SFY90	SFY04
Food Stamp Program:		
Households	998	1,802
Individuals	2,320	3,907
Individuals P.A.*	1,387	988
Individuals Non-P.A.*	932	2,919

*participating in other public assistance programs

Note: Effective 10/1/96, the AFDC program was eliminated in Maryland and was replaced with the Temporary Cash Assistance (TCA) program.

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For a complete picture of Snap Shot data, see the
2004 DHR FACT PACK.

Social Services Administration

	SFY03	SFY04*
Finalized Adoptions	3	4
*preliminary count		

Percent of Children in Families which Received In-Home Family Services who were not Placed in Out-of-Home Care

Within one year of Family Service Close	93.6%	98.6%
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	SFY03	SFY04
Percent of Families who do not have an Indicated Abuse or Neglect Investigation		
Within 1 year of receiving On-Home Family Services:	86.0%	90.9%

Community Service Administration

	SFY04
Office of Transitional Services:	
Emergency & Transitional Housing & Services Program:	
Total Bednights	1,661
Turnaways	70
Average Length of Shelter Stay (days)	23

	SFY04
Office of Victim Services:	
Domestic Violence Program:	
Victims Served	575
Counseling Services	634
Rape Crises Program:	
Victims Served	270
Counseling Services	669
Victims of Crime Assistance Program:	
Victims Served*	1,499
Counseling Services	2,859

	SFY03	SFY04
Office of Home Energy Programs:		
MEAP Total Certified	1,896	2,046
EUSP Total Certified	1,920	2,073
USPP Participants	1,449	1,717

	SFY03	SFY04
Office of Transitional Services:		
Emergency Food Assistance Program:		
Total Food Parcels	1,127	1,081
Avg. Households per Distribution Cycle	558	558

	SFY03	SFY04
Office of Adult Services Programs:		
In-Home Aid Services:		
Total Individuals	41	43
*average monthly count		

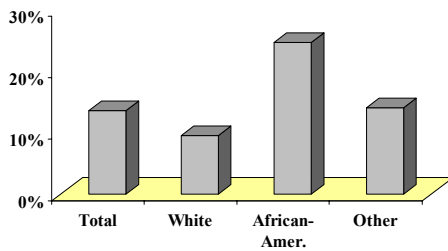
POVERTY

Poverty, 2002*

	Dorchester County	Maryland
<i>Persons in Poverty:</i>		
All Ages	4,048	445,430
Age 0 - 17	1,266	135,288
<i>Percent in Poverty:</i>		
All Ages	13.5%	8.3%
Age 0 - 17	19.0%	10.1%

*Census Current Population Survey estimates

Poverty Rates, Dorchester County By Race, 1999



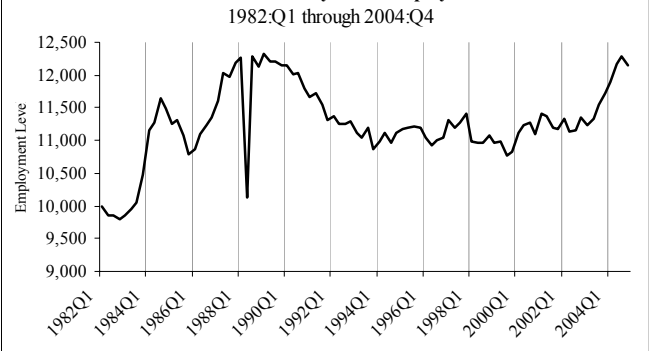
EDUCATION

Selected Statistics, 2000 - 2004

	Public Schools
<i>Number of Schools (2003-2004):</i>	
Elementary	6
Middle	2
Senior High	2
Non-Public Schools (Total)	7
<i>Student Enrollment (Fall 2004):</i>	
White	2,630
African-American	1,970
Hispanic	108
Other	80
<i>Pupil/Full-Time Staff Ratio (2003)</i>	8.4
<i>Number of Dropouts (2002 - 2003)</i>	91
<i>Graduates (2004)</i>	
High School Diploma	317
Special Education Completion	8
Early College Admission	0
<i>Educational Attainment - age 25 & over (2000):</i>	
High School Graduate or Higher	74.2%
Bachelor's Degree or Higher	12.0%

EMPLOYMENT & WAGES

Dorchester County Total Employment



Employment and Labor Force

	2005:Q1		
<i>Unemployment Rate</i>	6.9%		
	1990	2000	Percent Change
<i>Total Labor Force</i>	15,296	15,144	-1.0%
Male	7,860	7,715	-1.8%
Female	7,436	7,429	-0.1%

	2004:Q4		Average Weekly Wage
	2004:Q4	Percent Change*	Wage
AGGREGATE ECONOMY	12,208	3.7%	\$606
PUBLIC SECTOR	2,242	0.4%	\$739
Local Government	1,298	1.5%	\$683
State Government	816	-1.3%	\$811
Federal Government	128	1.6%	\$855
PRIVATE SECTOR	9,966	4.5%	\$576
Manufacturing	2,916	1.8%	\$663
Health Care and Social Assistance	1,442	-8.7%	\$638
Accommodation and Food Services	1,132	79.1%	\$331
Retail Trade	1,071	-1.7%	\$437
Construction	588	7.1%	\$637
Wholesale Trade	516	-7.7%	\$587
Other Services (Except Public Administration)	378	0.3%	\$382
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	362	43.7%	\$789
Transportation and Warehousing	345	-9.4%	\$575
Finance and Insurance	310	11.5%	\$904
Administrative and Support and Waste	290	-21.6%	\$321
Professional, Scientific and Technical Services	192	4.9%	\$673
Arts, Entertainment and Recreation	162	-14.7%	\$413
Real Estate and Rental Leasing	104	13.0%	\$448
Information	94	20.5%	\$644
Mining			Confidential
Utilities			Confidential
Not Elsewhere Classified			Confidential
Educational Services			Confidential

*From period beginning 2003:Q4 and ending 2004:Q4

Due to the recent conversion from the Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) system to the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS), employment figures by detailed industries in the 2004 Fact Pack are comparable to Fact Pack issues printed after 2002 (previous editions rely on the SIC system).

EMPLOYMENT & WAGES

The Largest Industries in Dorchester County

Ranked by Employment Level, 2004 Q4

Industry	NAICS	Employment	One Year Change in Emp.		Weekly
		Level	Absolute	Percent	Wages
Food Manufacturing	311	1,568	-56	-3.4%	\$533
Food Services & Drinking Places	722	665	59	9.7%	\$191
Hospitals	622		<i>Confidential</i>		
Accommodation	721	467	440	1629.6%	\$530
Electrical Equipment, Appliance, & Component Manu.	335		<i>Confidential</i>		

The Top Employment Gaining Industries in Dorchester County

Ranked by Absolute Change in Employment Level, 2003 Q4 to 2004 Q4

Industry	NAICS	Employment	One Year Change in Emp.		Weekly
		Level	Absolute	Percent	Wages
Accommodation	721	467	440	1629.6%	\$530
Electrical Equipment, Appliance, & Component Manu.	335		<i>Confidential</i>		
Animal Production	112		<i>Confidential</i>		
Food Services & Drinking Places	722	665	59	9.7%	\$191
Insurance Carriers & Related Activities	524	162	27	20.0%	\$1,072

The Top Employment Losing Industries in Dorchester County

Ranked by Absolute Change in Employment Level, 2003 Q4 to 2004 Q4

Industry	NAICS	Employment	One Year Change in Emp.		Weekly
		Level	Absolute	Percent	Wages
Social Assistance	624	285	-94	-24.8%	\$361
Administrative & Support Services	561	287	-81	-22.0%	\$321
Food Manufacturing	311	1,568	-56	-3.4%	\$533
Merchant Wholesalers, Durable Goods	423	238	-43	-15.3%	\$689
Warehousing & Storage	493		<i>Confidential</i>		

The Highest Paying Industries in Dorchester County

Ranked by Average Weekly Wages, 2004 Q4

Industry	NAICS	Employment	One Year Change in Emp.		Weekly
		Level	Absolute	Percent	Wages
ISPs, Web Search Portals, & Data Processing Services	518		<i>Confidential</i>		
Utilities	221		<i>Confidential</i>		
Telecommunications	517		<i>Confidential</i>		
Miscellaneous Manufacturing	339		<i>Confidential</i>		
Insurance Carriers & Related Activities	524	162	27	20.0%	\$1,072

Note: "Q" = Quarter

HOUSING

DEMOGRAPHICS

Selected Statistics, 2005

Affordable/Accessible Housing Registry:

Section 8 Properties	6
Elderly/Disabled Properties	4
Total Section 8 Units	333

HUD Fair Market Rents:

Efficiency	\$352
1 Bedroom	\$423
2 Bedroom	\$539
3 Bedroom	\$727
4 Bedroom	\$748

Note: A portion of the Section 8 properties serving elderly and disabled households listed above are considered Section 202 (elderly households) and Section 811 (households with persons living with disabilities). These households do not comprise all Section 202 and Section 811 households in this jurisdiction.

Population Characteristics

	1990	2003	Percent Change
Total	30,326	30,612	0.9%
Male	14,318	14,440	0.9%
Female	15,918	16,172	1.6%

	1990	2003*	Percent Change
Race			
White	21,601	21,859	1.2%
African-American	8,441	8,320	-1.4%
Native American	54	70	29.6%
Asian/Pacific Islander	140	261	86.4%
Hispanic	177	422	138.4%

*2003 figures do not include persons of two or more races, excluding persons of hispanic origin, who may be of any race.

DEMOGRAPHICS

Population Forecast

	Dorchester County	Maryland
1990	30,236	4,780,753
2000	30,674	5,296,486
2005*	31,300	5,609,200
2010*	33,175	5,907,575
2015*	35,225	6,127,225
2020*	36,975	6,326,975

*Maryland Office of Planning Projections

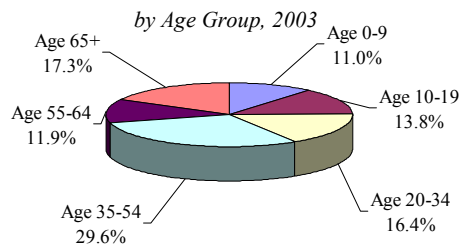
Age	2003	% of Population
0 - 9	3,366	11.0%
10 - 19	4,227	13.8%
20 - 34	5,029	16.4%
35-54	9,058	29.6%
55-64	3,630	11.9%
65+	5,302	17.3%

Income

	2002
Per Capita Personal Income	\$24,562
Rank*	20

*among all Maryland jurisdictions

Dorchester Population Distribution



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